L. Criterion for Institutional Membership of the Commission

(12) **Resolution by Shri S. A. I. Tirmizi, Joint Secretary, Indian Historical Records Commission**

"Resolved that institutional representation on the Indian Historical Records Commission be generally confined to such institutions as (a) scientifically preserve historical records and throw them open for research, (b) undertake research on and publication of such records and (c) promote and finance historical research based on original sources".

Explanatory Note : In the absence of specific constitutional provision or guidelines, some difficulty has been faced in nominating institutions on the Commission. Some clear criteria are, therefore, desirable for making such nominations on an objective basis. In view of the fact that the Commission, from its very inception, has mainly been concerned with conservation, utilization and publication of historical records in public and private custody, the criteria suggested in the above Resolution appears appropriate, unless the Commission prefers some other criteria.

Proceedings : During the discussion it was pointed out that, since financing historical research was merely one of the many ways of promoting research, the reference to financing in part 'C' of the resolution was redundant. The resolution was then passed in the following form :

> **Resolution VIII :** "Resolved that institutional representation on the Indian Historical Records Commission be generally confined to such institutions as (a) scientifically preserve historical records and throw them open for research, (b) undertake research on and publication of such records and (c) promote historical research based on original sources".

With the permission of the Chair two more resolutions were tabled.

M. Recruitment of Trained Archivists

(13) **Resolution by Shri T. S. Sinha**

> **Resolution IX :** "In view of the fact that the Constitution of the Indian Historical Records Commission clearly emphasises that lack of trained archivists continues seriously to impede the archival work in the country, it is resolved that personnel recruited to all the archival posts should be trained Archivists".

The resolution was discussed and passed.

N. Motion of Facilitations

(14) **The following resolution was moved by Dr. A. R. Kulkarnee and seconded by Shri S.A.I. Tirmizi**

> **Resolution X :** "The Indian Historical Records Commission places on record its deep appreciation of the exceptional services rendered during the last 10 years by its Secretary, Dr. S. N. Prasad and wishes him all health and happiness in his retirement."

The resolution was unanimously passed with acclaim.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.